MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: (*a*) No such collections have been made by the department.

(*b*) Does not arise in view to answer to part (*a*).

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Have the Government found any method by which it can be ascertained whether so much money has been withheld from the public?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: No such information has been brought to the notice of Government.

Queue system in the Transport bus stand.

63. * MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that the queue system adopted in the Transport bus stand at Trivandrum causes much inconvenience to travellers; and

(*b*) what has prevented the Transport Department from adopting the system of giving priority by numbers as adopted at Kottarakara?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: (*a*) No.

(*b*) Queue is acknowledged to be the most suitable arrangement.

Restaurants attached to the Transport Garages.

64. * MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of restaurants attached to the Transport garages; and

(*b*) the way in which they are conducted?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: (*a*) One in Trivandrum City.

(*b*) It is conducted by a contractor to whom the necessary rooms have been leased out on rent.

Passengers in the Transport buses.

65. * MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the prescribed maximum number of passengers that can be taken in a Government transport bus;

(*b*) the average number of persons that are now carried in a State Transport bus; and

(*c*) why the Government are not in a position to stop overloading in State Transport service?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: (*a*) Ranges from 40 to 60 according to the capacity of the vehicle.

(*b*) Within the limits prescribed in (*a*) above.

(*c*) Due to non-availability of additional vehicles and the necessity to provide maximum service with the available vehicles.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: I want to know whether the same amount of over-crowding is permitted in buses run by private agencies.

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: Yes, Sir.

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MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know to what extent it is permitted?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: I am not in a position to answer that just now.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether Government have ascertained to what extent there is over-crowding in buses run by private agencies?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: I understand that the Inspector-General has made certain arrangements with regard to that matter.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether any report from the Inspector General has reached Government?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: An announcement was made in this House some time back.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: My question was not whether any announcement was made. Even if one has been made, I cannot remember it. May I know whether any report from the Inspector General has reached Government?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: No such reports, Sir.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: Does the Honourable member suggest that there are no cases charged for overloading?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: The Government are not aware.

Village Panchayat Courts, Alwaye and Parur.

66. *MR. E. K. MADHAVAN (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of cases filed during the years 1118, 1119 and 1120 respectively in the Village Panchayat Courts at Alwaye and Parur with the number of decided cases for which appeals have been preferred to the District Court from each of the above courts in the above years with the results of appeal (dismissed and upheld)?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: A * statement furnishing the information is laid on the table.

Kothamangalam-Nedukani-Peruvinnoor road.

67. *MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how long is it since the Kothamangalam-Nedukani-Peruvinnoor road was surveyed and taken up by Government for construction;

(*b*) how many miles of that road have so far been completed;

(*c*) whether regular maintenance is carried on over the portion completed; and

(*d*) how many miles remain to be constructed?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) Surveyed in 1102 M. E. and work taken up for execution in 1106 M. E.

(*b*) 4 miles.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Nearly 5 miles.

MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE: May I know whether any repair was made to that road this year?

* *Vide* Appendix II.

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